CHAPTER NO. 418

HOUSE BILL NO. 369

By Representatives Winningham, Sherry Jones, Mike Turner, Fraley, Pinion, Tindell, Baird, Ferguson, Moore, Pruitt, Sontany, Langster, Matheny, McKee, Roach

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 70

By Senators Kilby, Burks, Chism, Kyle, Jackson, McLeary, Burchett

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 6; Title 8 and Title 41, Chapter 1, to provide a compensation plan for correctional officers.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 6, Part 1, is amended by adding the following new section:

Section 4-6-106. The commissioner of correction shall formulate and implement a compensation plan for correctional officers by which such officers are paid at least the average compensation of correctional officers in the southeastern United States with similar qualifications and years of service. Such plan shall be revised annually to reflect changes in the southeast average compensation. The commissioner shall report annually to the general assembly on the components and ranges in such plan. Such compensation plan shall only be implemented in years in which funds are appropriated to pay the average compensation as determined by such survey.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 27, 2005

JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

> JOHN S. WILDER SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 17th day of June 2005

PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR